RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) A comparative picture of population projections worked out by the Expert Committee on Population Projections appointed by the Planning Commission and that of World Bank as per 'World Development Report, 1990' is given in the table below:

Source	Year	Projected population (In million)	Projected Annual Growth Rate (%)
1. Expert Committee on Population Projections for India (as of 1st March, 2000 A.D.) . . .	2000	972	1.49 (1999-2000)
2. World Development Report 1990 (World Bank) (as of 1st July, 2000 A.D.)	2000	1007	1.8 (1988-2000)

(c) To keep the population growth in the country within the manageable limits, a well defined strategy has been evolved which lays emphasis on improving quality of health services, strengthening health infrastructure, enhancing child survival rates through Universal Immunisation Programme, intensifying population education, enhancing community participation, adopting improved communication approaches and involving voluntary organisations. Besides, schemes of reinforcement of training and retraining of personnel at the grass-root level, establishing and strengthening linkages with related development programmes like female literacy and improvement of women's status and adoption of area intensive approach are being implemented and will be further strengthened.

Malpractices by the Managing Director of M/S. Addisons Paints and Chemicals Limited, Madras

1230. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have received any representation from Addisons Paints and Chemicals Limited Assistants' Association regarding malpractices indulged in by the Managing Director, Shri K.S. Sundaram of M/s Addisons Paints and Chemicals Limited, Madras;

(b) if so, what are the details of the report of the Enquiry Committee appointed by his Ministry;

(c) whether any action has been taken on the basis of the report; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) An inspection of the books of accounts of the company under section 209A of the Companies Act was ordered. After examination of the inspection report, a notice was issued to the company and Shri K.S. Sundaram to show cause as to why the application for the re-appointment of Shri Sundaram as Managing Director of the company for a period of four years w.e.f. 14-7-88 be not rejected. After considering the reply of the company, the application for re-

appointment of Shri Sundaram was rejected on 21-6-90.

Scrutiny of the findings of the Price Review Committee for drugs

1231. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1982 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th May, 1990 and state:

(a) what were the prices recommended by Price Review Committee of drugs involved in Supreme Court case and when was each recommendation sent to his Ministry;

(b) what are the names of the drugs and what was earlier price of each and from which date applicability of prices recommended by Price Review Committee was effective;

(c) what are the details of complaints and representations received against the findings of Price Review Committee;

(d) what are the details of cases where scrutiny has been made and what are the findings of the scrutiny;

(e) whether his Ministry has found any anomalies or discrepancies in the findings of Price Review Committee; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken by his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (f) A number of anomalies were brought to the notice of the Government through various complaints pnd representations received against the findings of the Committee which received the prices of the companies involved in the Supreme Court case in respect of bulk drugs and formulations in question after 1st January, 1984. The findings of the Committee and all the developments thereafter are therefore being reviewed by the Government.

Collection of DESU bills through nationalised banks

1232. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Ministry f ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether DESU has recently authorised some more branches of nationalised banks to accept payment of its electricity bills;

(b) whether some branches of these banks were already collecting payment of electricity bills;

(c) if so, what are the names of these banks and their branches authorised so far to collect payment of electricity bills;

(d) whether D.E.S.U. also proposed to set up some more departmental cash collection centres to provide further relief to the consumers; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) to (c) The DESU has authorised 20 branches of the Syndicate Bank in June, 1990 for collection of the electricity bills on its behalf. Besides this arrangements already exist with the 82 branches of the three other nationalised banks for collection of the electricity bills. The names of the banks and their branches authorised by the DESU in this behalf are indicated in the statement (*See below*).

(d) and (e) The DESU proposes to open 3 additional departmental